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TUMORS BY STEREOTACTIC )  
INJECTION OF MICROSPHERES )

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Prior to the examination of the above-identified patent application, please enter the following amendments.

IN THE ABSTRACT

Please insert the "Abstract" enclosed herewith as new page 20 of the application.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please replace claims 1-16 and 19 as follows.

1. (Amended) A method for treating a human suffering from inoperable tumors comprising administering biodegradable microspheres which release an anticancer agent by stereotactic injection directly into the tumor, into the peritumoral area or at the same time into the tumor and the peritumoral area.

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